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AMENDMENTSTOTHEDRAWINGS:

There are no amendments to the drawings presented herewith.

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1 – 6, 9 – 16, and 19 – 20 remain in this application. Claims 7, 8, 17, and 18 have been canceled.

The Examiner has acknowledged that claims 1 – 20 are directed to allowable subject matter if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph.

By this amendment claim 1 has been amended to correct typographical and grammatical errors, more correctly define Applicant's claimed invention, correct informalities noted by the Examiner, as well as to add section e) inadvertently omitted in the originally submitted claim. Support for these amendments can be found, for example, in paragraphs [0021], [0026], and [0027] as well as in Figure 1.

Claim 11 has been amended to correct typographical and grammatical errors, more correctly define Applicant's claimed invention, and correct the informalities noted by the Examiner.

Claims 2 – 6, 9, 10, 12 – 16, 19, and 20 have been amended to more clearly define Applicant's claimed invention.

No new matter has been introduced by these amendments.

Claims 1 – 20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Specifically, the Examiner states:

Claims as filed are confusing, vague and indefinite for the following types of problems:

The semi-colon after the term "comprising" leaves no object;

"a at least one of fastener" is not a grammatical thought, nor is "pair electrical connection wires";

"of component b)" is indefinite as b) defines no component, only wires;

"all" is not understood in context;

limitations to the "assembled rod" remove the claim from the subject of a carrier assembly to the combination of a carrier assembly and rod;

limitations to the "sun visor center support" remove the claim from the subject of a carrier assembly to the combination of a carrier assembly and rod and center

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support;

Claim 7 defines the combination of carrier and visor body and does not limit the subject matter of claim 1 and is therefore rejected as confusing under this statute as well as under 35 USC 112, fourth paragraph.

Claim 11, section 3) is confusing for interjecting the last phrase without any frame of reference to other structure.

Note that a comma should follow "visor rod" in claim 1, line 8, and claim 11, line 8.

Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection. By this amendment Claims 7, 8, 17, and 18 have been canceled. Claim 1 has been amended to correct typographical and grammatical errors, more correctly define Applicant's claimed invention, correct informalities noted by the Examiner, as well as to add section e) inadvertently omitted in the originally submitted claim. Claim 11 has been amended to correct typographical and grammatical errors, more correctly define Applicant's claimed invention, and correct the informalities noted by the Examiner. Claims 2-6, 9, 10, 12-16, 19, and 20 have been amended to more clearly define Applicant's claimed invention. Thus, the rejection based on the claims being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention is now moot. When viewed in light of the amendments to the claims presented herewith it is clear that the claimed invention is now ready for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

The drawings were objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a) as failing to show every feature of the invention specified in the claims. Specifically, the Examiner states:

Therefore, the flat faces aligned, claim 11 must be shown
or the feature(s) canceled from the claim(s).

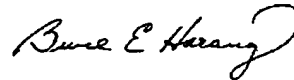
Applicants respectfully traverse this objection. By this amendment the feature alleged not to be shown has been canceled from claim 11. In light of this amendment to claim 11 this objection to the drawings is now moot. When viewed in light of the amendments to the claims presented herewith it is clear that the claimed invention is now ready for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

Applicant acknowledges the prior art made of record but not relied upon as a basis of rejection by the Examiner. Since these references were not used as a basis of rejection Applicant makes no further comment regarding these references.

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In view of the remarks herein, and the amendments hereto, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance, and such action and issuance of a timely Notice of Allowance is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachments